April Recap & Northeast DEWS Discussion

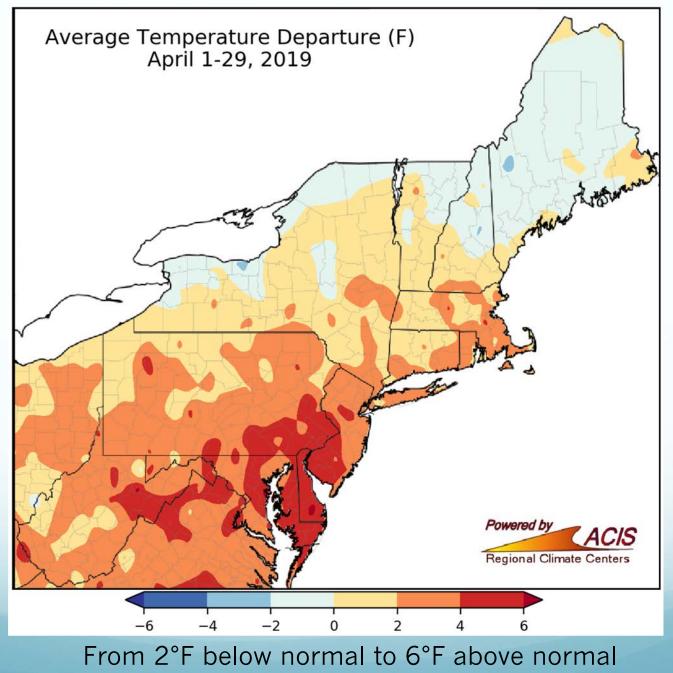
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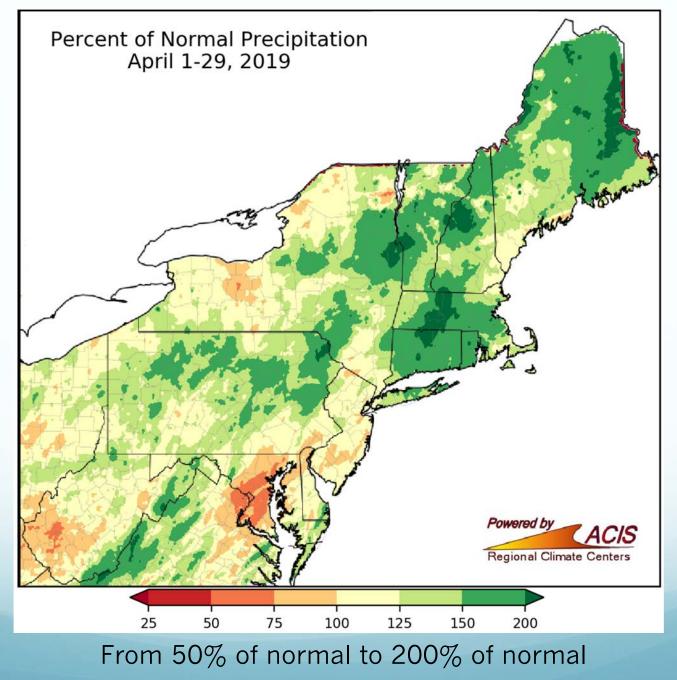




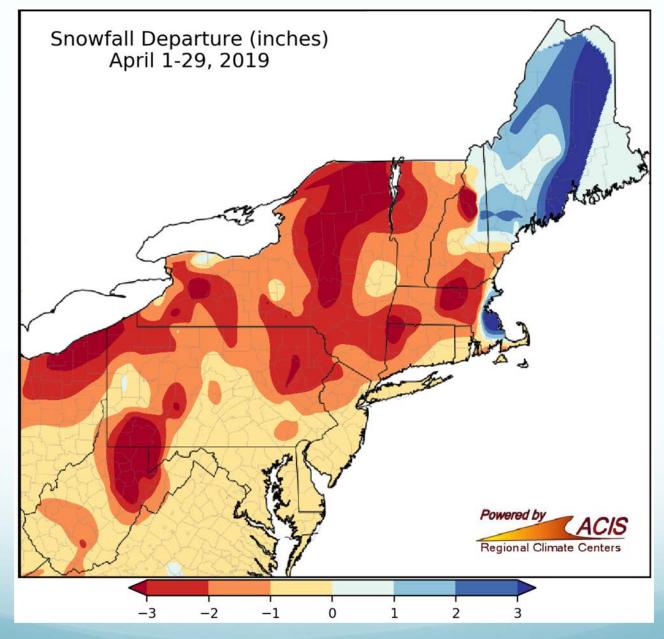
April Temperatures



April Precipitation



April Snowfall



From more than 3" below normal to more than 3" above normal



Mar. 31 snow depth: 29"

Caribou Snow Depth

Record 163 consecutive days with at least 1" of snow on the ground from Nov. 10, 2018 – Apr. 21, 2019

Previous record was 155 days from Nov. 17, 2002 – Apr. 20, 2003

All photos courtesy of NWS Caribou



Flooding

Flash flooding from thunderstorms in Vermont on April 15.



Ice jam on the Aroostook River on April 19. Photo courtesy of NWS Caribou

Flood warnings along the Connecticut River due to heavy rain and upstream snow melt on April 22. Image courtesy of NWS Boston

Burlington Area Rivers Continue to Recede KI RIVER AT ESSEX JUNC 48 Hour Precipitation Amounts 9Z 21Z kpr13 Apr13 Apr14 Apr14 Apr15 Apr15 Apr16 Apr16 Apr17 Apr17 Apr18 Apr18 (Sunday morning through Tuesday morning) Latest observed value: 13.68 ft at 430 AM EDT 16-Apr-2019. Flood Stage is 12 ft un Johnsbury Burlington utland 21Z 9Z 21Z d value: 11.49 ft at 4:40 9 Flood Stage is 8 ft Rivers continue to recede after Sunday & Monday's rainfall. Highest precipitation amounts were observed in southwestern through central Vermont as a line of embedded thunderstorms moved through. 🚫 www.weather.gov/btv 🗧 US National Weather Service Burlington VT @NWSBurlington | Updated: 4/16 EDD 16

Severe Weather: April 14–15



Photo courtesy of NWS State College

13 tornadoes:

- 9 in Pennsylvania (EF-0 to EF-2)
- 2 in Delaware (EF-1 and EF-2)
 - First April tornadoes in 25+ years
 - State averages 0 tornadoes in April and 1 annually
- 1 in New York (EF-1)
- 1 in Maryland (EF-0)

Straight-line winds of up to 105 mph

Golf ball-sized hail

Heavy rain - flooding

Most occurred in the early morning

Severe Weather: April 19



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5 tornadoes in Pennsylvania (EF-1s and EF-2s):

First April tornado in Fulton
County

14 tornadoes total in April in Pennsylvania:

- <u>Greatest number of tornadoes</u> <u>for April since records began in</u> <u>1950</u>
- State typically sees most tornadoes of all Northeast states
- State averages 2 April tornadoes and 15 annually

Severe Weather: April 26

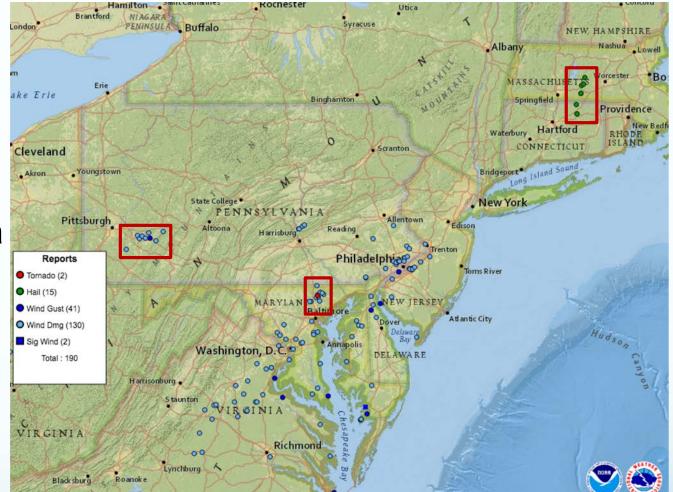
EF-1 tornado in Maryland:

• Second tornado this month (average is 1)

Straight-line winds in western Pennsylvania

Golf ball-sized hail in Massachusetts:

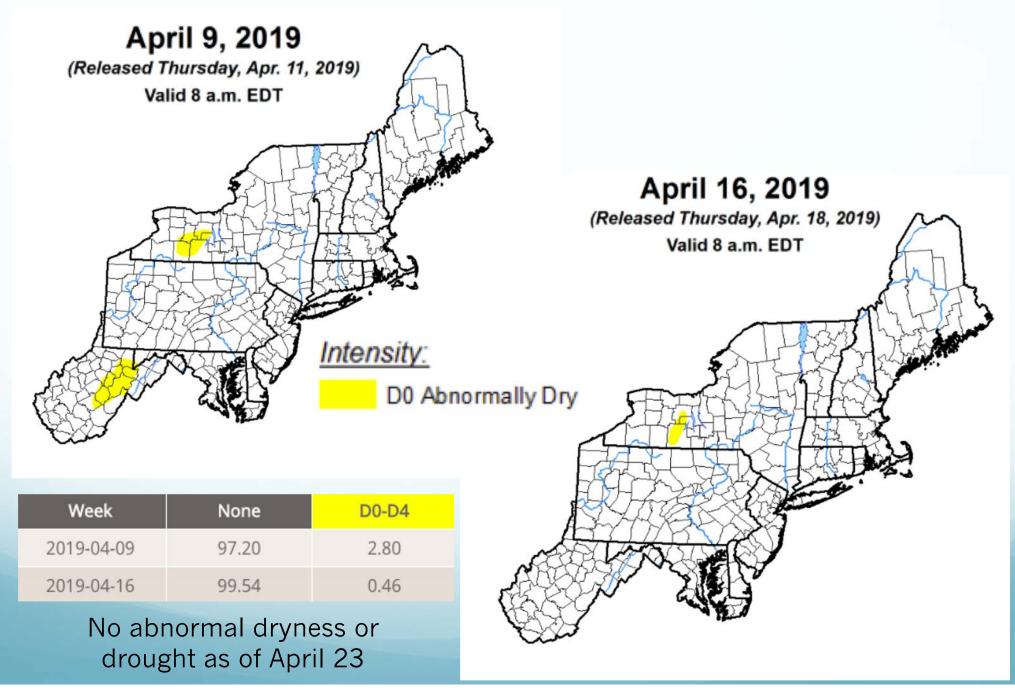
 only 3rd time hail that size or larger reported in April since 1950 (last in 1969)

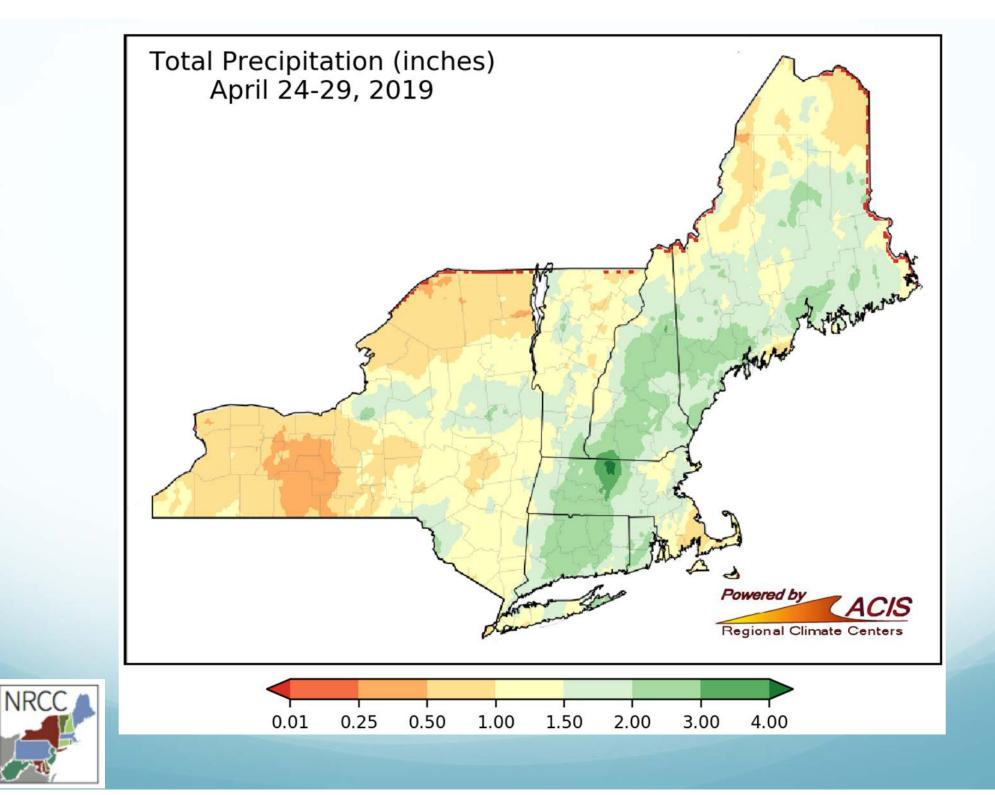


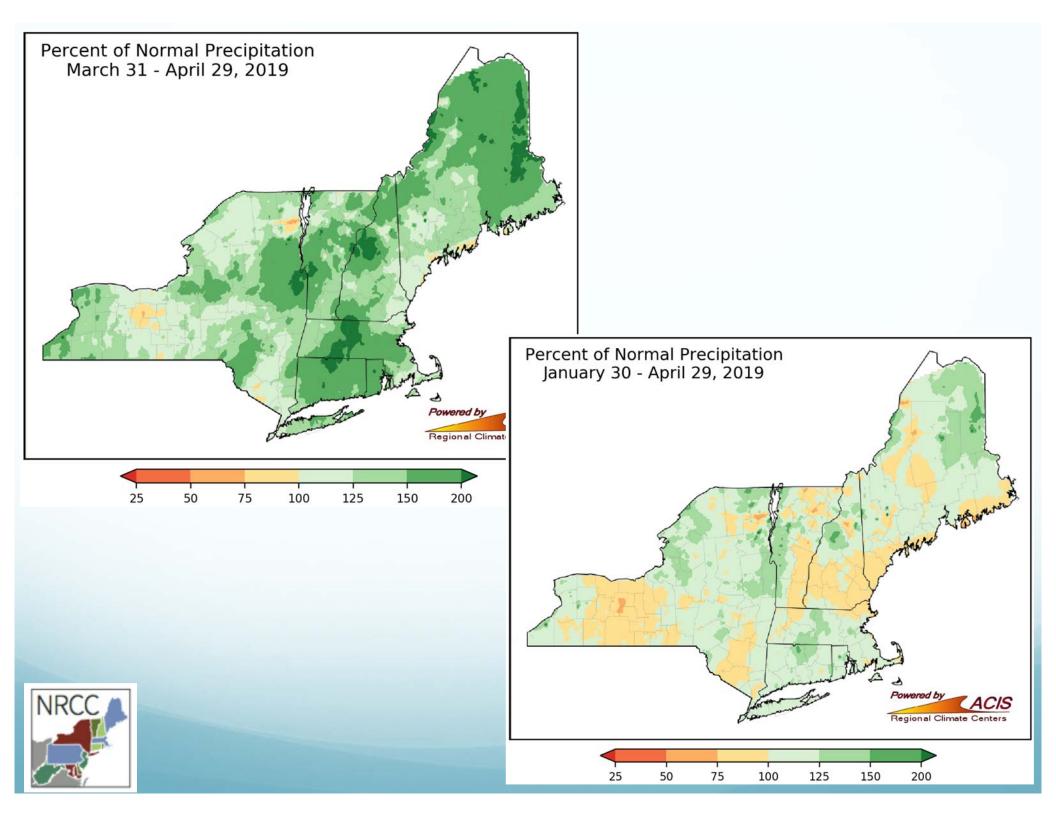
On April 8:

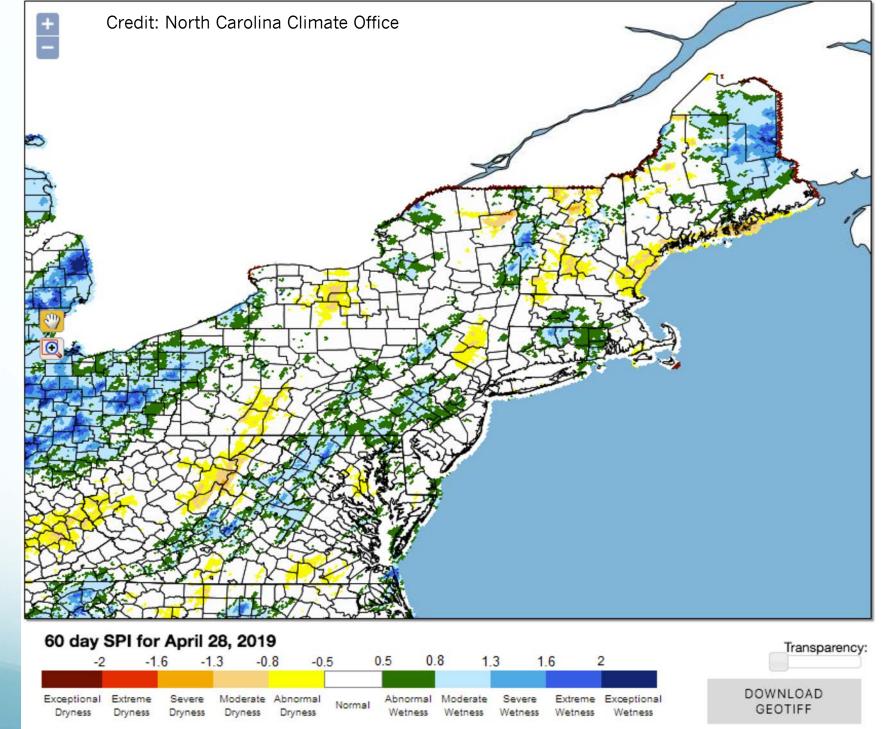
 3-inch hailstone near Princeton, WV - largest hailstone to fall in the state during April

Drought Monitor

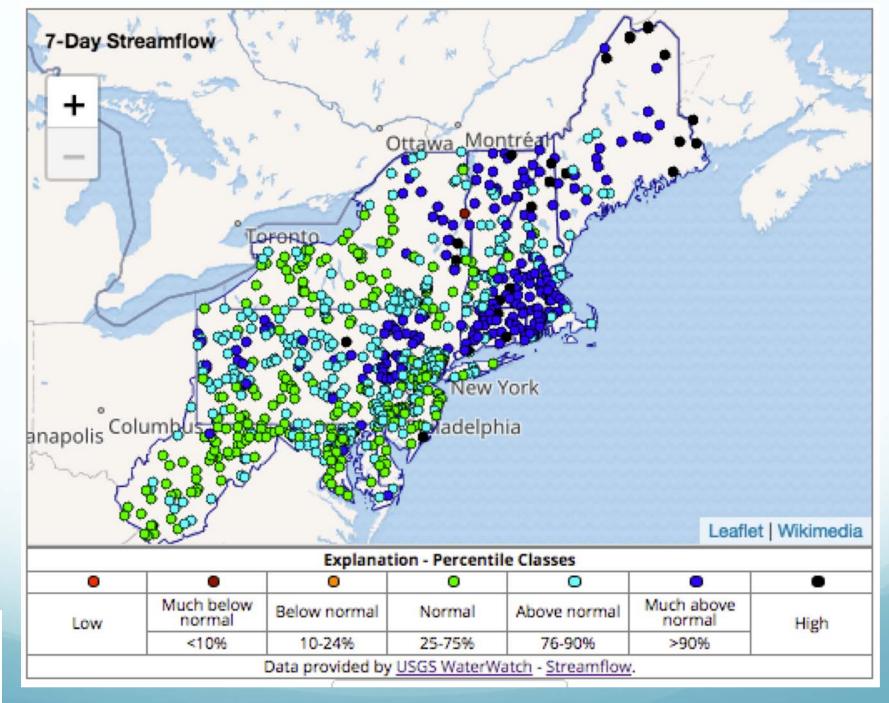




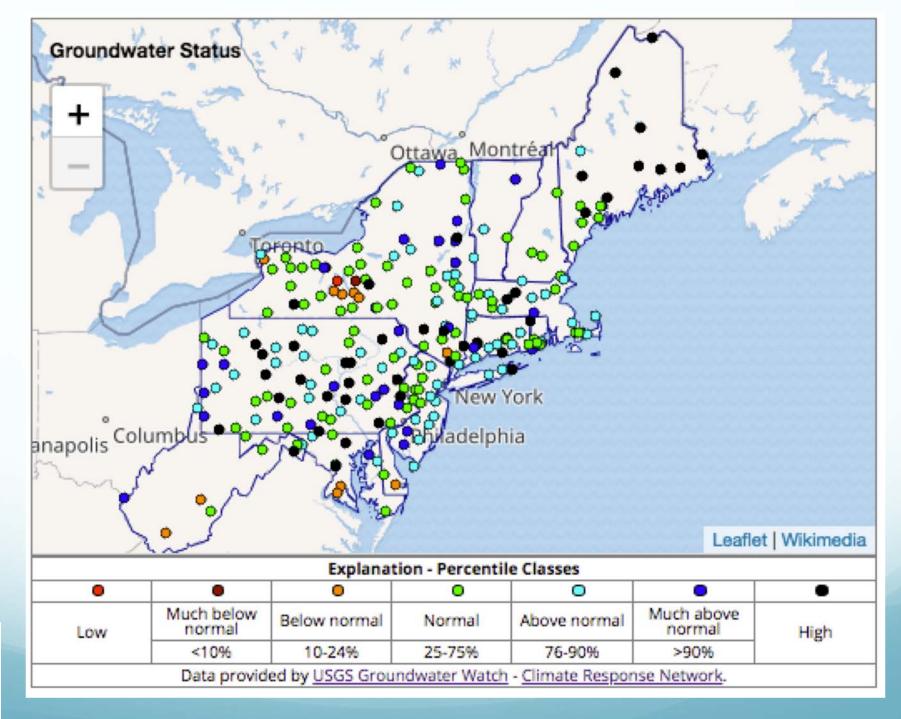




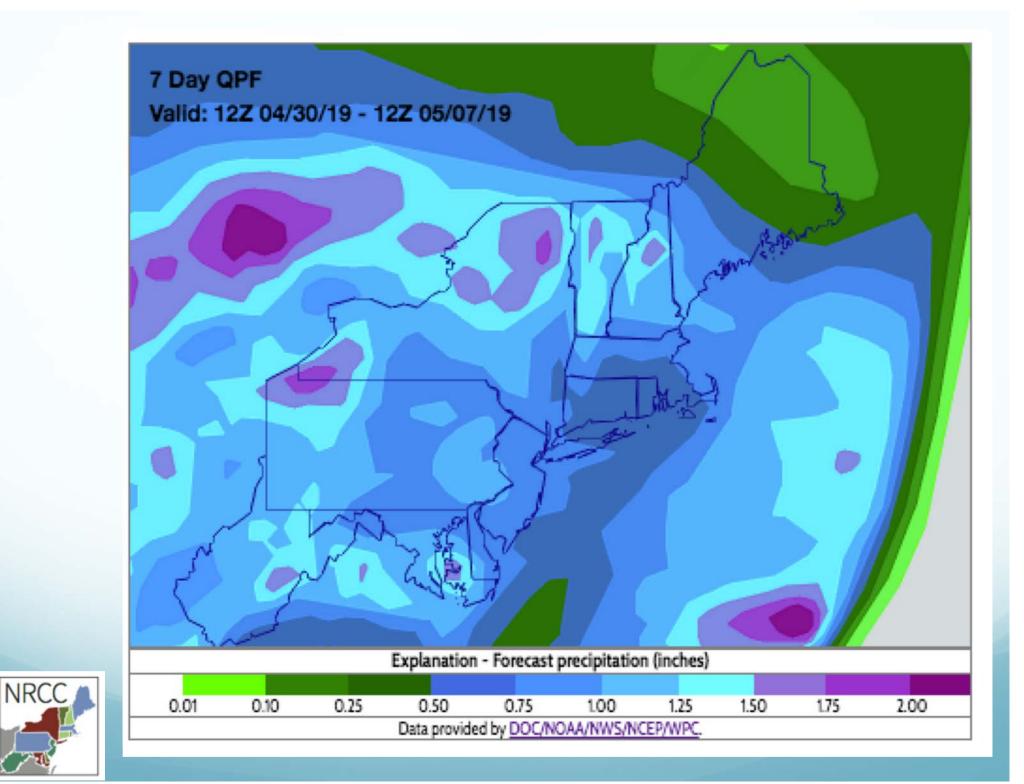




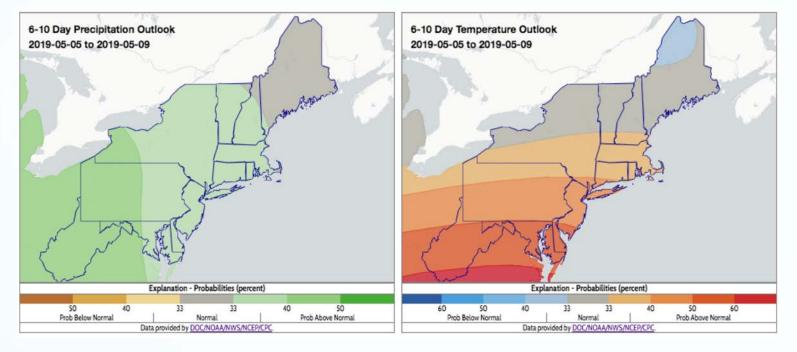


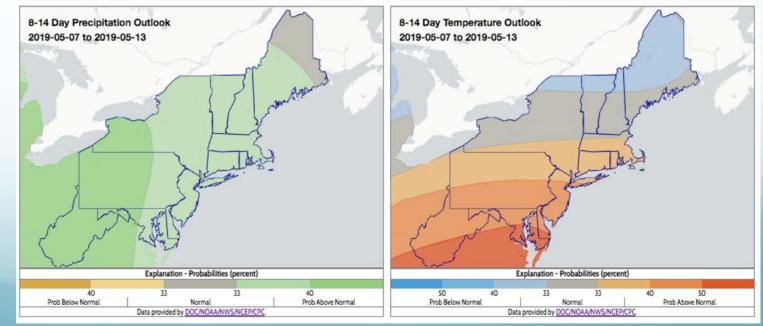






Short-term Outlooks





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Upcoming Webinars

- Thursday, May 30 at 9:30 am
 - Heat health and NCA4
- Thursday, June 27 at 9:30 am
 - TBD
- Tuesday, July 30 at 9:30 am
 - TBD

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